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Honorable J. Paul Oetken United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

Re: United States v. Brian Benjamin, S2 21 Cr. 706 (JPO)

Dear Judge Oetken:

On December 15, 2022, this Court so ordered a request by defendant Brian Benjamin that unreducted copies of his submissions filed in connection with his motion to dismiss—reducted copies of which were publicly filed as Doc. Nos. 52, 53, and 60—be filed under seal in order to facilitate the provision of such material to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Accordingly, out of an abundance of caution and for the reasons previously articulated in connection with the parties' filings, the Government respectfully requests that the Court likewise direct that an unredacted copy of its submission—a redacted copy of which was publicly filed as Doc. No. 54, and included redacted attachments 54-1 through 54-3—be maintained under seal and made available as necessary to the Court of Appeals.

Respectfully submitted,

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